

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Masahiko Kadokura
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AMENDMENT "B"

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 31, 2009 (Paper No. 20090813). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on November 30, 2009.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.